



PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE
(Case No. 03-284-E)

In the Application of:)	
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Costa et al.)	Before the Examiner:
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Serial No.)	
10/809,144)	Group Art Unit: 1642
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Filing Date:)	
March 25, 2004)	
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For: Methods of Inhibiting Tumor Cell Proliferation)	Confirmation No.: 7397

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT MAILED JANUARY 27, 2006

Mail Stop Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

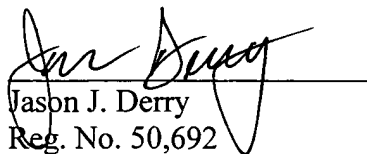
Responsive to the Restriction Requirement mailed January 27, 2006, Applicants elect group II (claims 1-3 in part, 7-10 in part, and 11), drawn to a method of inhibiting proliferation of a tumor cell, and further elect the polypeptide having the sequence set forth in SEQ ID NO: 10, with traverse. In addition, as required on page 6 of the Restriction Requirement, Applicants elect (a) malignant tumor cell, and (b) liver cell as the epithelial cell of origin.

The Examiner in charge of this application is invited to contact the undersigned representative as indicated below if it is believed to be helpful.

Respectfully submitted,
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